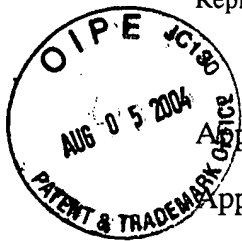


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Att'y Docket: 1956/116

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In response to the Office Action mailed June 1, 2004, please amend the claims to put the application in condition for allowance as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper

A Listing of the Claims is provided beginning on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper



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1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment after final rejection (37 C.F.R. 1.116) for this application.

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STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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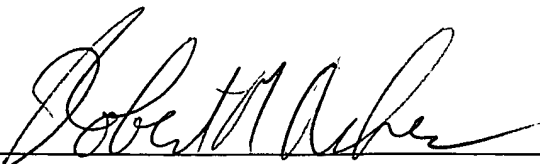
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No additional fee for claims is required.

FEE DEFICIENCY

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